UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY



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June 18, 2015

By Electronic Mail & US Mail

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Re:

Diamond Alkali, Lower Passaic River Study Area - Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study, USEPA Region 2 CERCLA Docket No. 02-2007-2009

Dear Carol:

On June 18, 2015, EPA sent the enclosed Bill for Collection #2721426S0037 for Future Response Costs covering the period September 1, 2013 to August 31, 2014 to William Hyatt, coordinating counsel for the Cooperating Parties Group ("CPG"). When EPA has confirmation of the CPG's receipt of the Bill for Collection, we will provide that information to you as well. Payment is due within thirty days of receipt, consistent with the requirements of the above-referenced Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent ("AOC") for the remedial investigation and feasibility study ("RI/FS") for the Lower Passaic River Study Area ("LPRSA").

EPA anticipates that Occidental Chemical Corporation ("Occidental") will make payment directly to EPA of a portion of the Bill for Collection and that the two separate payments, by Tierra Solutions, Inc. for Occidental, and by the CPG, will result in payment in full of EPA's Bill for Collection. Please advise of the amount that Occidental will pay so that I can inform EPA's Finance Center in Cincinnati of the two amounts.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 212-637-3136 if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Just P. Flanger Sarah P. Flanagan

Assistant Regional Counsel

cc:

Paul Brzozowski

William H. Hyatt, Jr., Esq.